

## State of New Mexico SEVENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT CATRON, SIERRA, SOCORRO, AND TORRANCE COUNTIES

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Sent via email:

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Re:

Inspection of Public Records Act Request received November 22, 2019

Dear Ms. Parson Labs:

The Seventh Judicial District Court is in receipt of your public records request forwarded by the State of New Mexico Administrative Office of the Courts and received by the Seventh Judicial District Court on November 22, 2019. Citing the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act (IPRA), NMSA 1978, § 14-2-1 et seq., you have requested the following records:

Pursuant to the New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act, I hereby request the following records:

For all search warrants, applications for search warrants, cancellations, and authorization for search warrants between 2012 to the date of processing this request, please provide the following points of record for each:

Full Name of requester

If arrest, arrest ID (eg some cities/states use, "Incident Report")

*Reason(s) for search warrant (typically either hand-written, or checkboxes)* 

Badge ID (or similar) of requester

District/Unit

Name of Judge

Name of approving officer

Whether an Arrest happened

Requested location of search warrant

Location of search warrant execution

Type of search warrant

Statements used to justify search warrant

Time and date when search warrant was submitted for approval

Time and date when search warrant was executed

Whether anything was seized

Whether anything was found

License plate of vehicle (if relevant)

Race of person fr search warrant

Age of person for search warrant

State of person for search warrant

Whether an informant was involved

Method of contact with informant leading to search warrant (eg, phone call, mail, fax, email, etc)

Description of person search warrant executed on

Legal code of violation

Description of violation

Date of violation

If search warrant related to debt: name of company debt is owed to, amount owed

Whether FBI involved

ID associated with FBI document (eg, IR #)

Whether search warrant was cancelled

Whether contraband found

Whether narcotics found

The records responsive to this request are likely available in a database, or in some query-able format. If your department or agency does not have direct access to the records, please raise to the respective department that can run queries directly (eg, through SQL).

Should your agency not have all of the requested records within a single record or document, please provide me the relevant documents that do, even if that requires more than one class of document. Should some of the records be unavailable, please let me know ahead of time so that we can narrow the request accordingly.

As the records responsive to this request are imperative for understanding how search warrants are executed, I ask that the public interest of these records be evaluated to the extent that the public's interest outweighs this request's burden. To add, this request is being sent to the largest city of every state and will be collated together to create a comprehensive map of search warrants throughout the US. As such, the records are not only important for understanding search warrants at a local level, but also at a national and state-wide level.

Please ensure that provided documents comply with Section 508, as these records will be shared with members of the public who are covered under the ADA. This guide should be helpful: https://www.hhs.gov/web/section-508/making-files-accessible/checklist/pdf/index.html

If this request was sent to the wrong department or agency, please let me know so that I can send to the correct place.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 15 business days, as the statute requires.

We need additional time to respond to your request and will do so on or before December 6, 2019.

Sincerely,

Jason E. Jones

Court Executive Officer